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QUESTION OF QUESTIONS.

"What think ye of Christ?" MATT. xxii : 42.

"WHAT think you of CHRIST?"—is the test,
To try both your state, and your scheme;
You can not be right in the rest,
Unless you think rightly of HIM :
As JESUS appears in your view—
As He is beloved or not,
So God is disposed to you,
And mercy or wrath is your lot.

Some take Him a creature to be—
A man, or an angel at most :
But they have not feelings like me,
Nor know themselves wretched and lost :
So guilty, so helpless am I,
I durst not confide in His blood,
Nor on His protection rely,
Unless I were sure He is God.

Some call Him a Savior, in word,
But mix their own works with His plan ;
And hope He His help will afford,
When they have done all that they can :
If doings prove rather too light,
(A little they own they may fail),
They purpose to make up full weight,
By casting His name in the scale.

Some style Him "the Pearl of great price,"

And say, He's the fountain of joys:

Yet feed upon folly and vice,

And cleave to the world and its toys:

Like Judas, the Savior they kiss,

And, while they salute Him, betray:

Oh! what will *profession* like this

Avail in His terrible day?

If asked what of Jesus *I* think,

Though still my best thoughts are but poor,

I say, He's my meat and my drink,

My life, and my strength, and my store;

My Shepherd, my trust, and my Friend,

My Savior from sin and from thrall;

My Hope from beginning to end,

My Portion, my Lord, and MY ALL.

Reader, what think YOU of Christ? Is He *your* Savior?—that is, has He saved *you*? for if He has not saved *you*, He is not *your* Savior, though he be the Savior of others. If Christ has not saved you, you are lost, and if cut off in this state, you will be lost for ever—you will never enter heaven; and your keenest anguish and heaviest condemnation will be, that you have rejected the message of mercy, now proclaimed to all, and refusing to receive Christ as *your* Savior, you have refused salvation.

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